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Co-operative Societies

* 54 *Q.*—DR. A. SREENIVASAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Co-operation be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government nominate any person to any executive committee or any other committee of the Co-operative Societies;

(*b*) if so, the class of co-operative societies in respect of which nominations are made; and

(*c*) the criteria on which such nominations are made?

THE HON. SRI N. NALLASENAPATHI SARKARAI MANRADIAR: (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) (i) State Co-operative Bank.

(ii) District Co-operative Central Banks.

(iii) Primary Co-operative Agricultural Banks which have taken share capital assistance from Government.

(iv) Co-operative Marketing Societies at all levels.

(v) Co-operative Sugar Mills.

(vi) Madras Central Land Mortgage Banks and

(vii) Madras Co-operative Central House Mortgage Bank.

(*c*) According to the rules framed under the Madras Co-operative Societies Act, 1932, where the State Government have given financial or other assistance to a registerd society, they may make nominations to the committee of such society up to one third of the number of members of committee. The officials nominated as Government representatives are usually those connected with the working of the societies concerned. In the case of primary Agricultural Banks and District Co-operative Supply and Marketing Societies, Government are also nominating non-officials who are likely to take an active interest in the working of these societies

DR. A. SREENIVASAN: Sir, it is a fact that in certain cases where nominations have been made to these bodies, there are people who owe large sums of money to many of these co-operative societies themselves? In that case, will they be competent to be nominated by the Government for serving on the Executive Committee of these Co-operative Banks?

THE HON. SRI N. NALLASENAPATHI SARKARAI MANRADIAR: Notice, Sir.

Mount Road

* 55 *Q.*—DR. A. SREENIVASAN: Will the Hon the Minister for Municipal Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to widen the Mount Road; and